

Olivet Nazarene University

## Digital Commons @ Olivet

---

The Kankakee Daily Journal

University Archives

---

5-1-1937

### May 01, 1937 (Saturday) Kankakee Republican-News

Kankakee Daily Journal

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digitalcommons.olivet.edu/dj>

---

#### Recommended Citation

Kankakee Daily Journal, "May 01, 1937 (Saturday) Kankakee Republican-News" (1937). *The Kankakee Daily Journal*. 2787.

<https://digitalcommons.olivet.edu/dj/2787>

This News Article is brought to you for free and open access by the University Archives at Digital Commons @ Olivet. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Kankakee Daily Journal by an authorized administrator of Digital Commons @ Olivet. For more information, please contact [digitalcommons@olivet.edu](mailto:digitalcommons@olivet.edu).

# WORKERS OBSERVE MAY DAY

## FRANCO DEFIES 2-POWER PLANS OF EVACUATION

British and French  
Prepare Removal  
of Civilians.

## BASQUE CAPITAL

**BULLETIN**  
London, May 1.—(AP)—British warships, will carry out the evacuation of civilians from Bilbao with or without the consent of Insurgent General Francisco Franco, informed sources disclosed today.

No government officials, however, would admit receiving Franco's announced refusal to respect ships evacuating refugees from the besieged Basque capital.

Instead, it was stated the government "assumes Franco will assent" to the move.

British warships have been ordered to protect ships bearing refugees outside the Spanish 3-mile limit. The men of war will not, however, go within that limit.

Authorized spokesmen pointed out Franco never before had interfered with ships leaving Spanish government ports, but only those seeking to enter the ports.

Hendaye, Franco-Spanish frontier, May 1.—(AP)—The captains of nine British merchantmen, ignoring Spanish insurgent refusals to respect any foreign ship inside their Bay of Biscay blockade, agreed to evacuate as many children as possible from Bilbao.

The captains of the nine ships, which reached Bilbao through the insurgent sea blockade, said they hoped to be able to remove between 4,000 and 5,000 children to St. Jean de Luz.

They announced their plan after a conference with the British consul at Bilbao, R. C. Stevenson.

(All French ports on the Bay of Biscay already had been instructed to receive refugees from Bilbao and were told to expect the first of thousands today or tomorrow.)

**Gen. Franco Defiant**  
Gen. Franco, virtually defying Great Britain and France to remove non-combatants from Bilbao despite the sinking of the battleship Espana, backbone of his Bay of Biscay fleet, curtly notified the British ambassador to Spain that insurgent men-of-war would not be pledged to respect foreign ships removing Bilbao's civilians.

The entire crew of the insurgent battleship Espana, sent to the bottom by government aerial bombs yesterday, meanwhile was reported saved.

Meanwhile, Franco's warriors, in of his aide, Gen. Emilio Mola, maintained their pressure on the Durango-Guernica front, the most advanced section, about 10 miles east of Bilbao, rectifying positions against the stubborn Basque defenders and bunched for a coup de grace.

**Regain Positions**  
The Bilbao defense council said advanced forces had regained some positions against the insurgent while the remainder of the defense army of some 40,000 was

(Continued on page two)

**F. W. Trask Retires  
on Pension Today**

Fred W. Trask of 1185 East Merchant street, employee of the International Harvester company branch here for the past 20 years, was retired today on a pension.

Mr. Trask completed his active service with the company yesterday. He has been a salesman during the entire period. His wife, Mrs. Alma Trask, is president of the Women's Relief corps.

(Continued on page two)

**School Children Say Baby  
Brother Hides Toothbrush**

Babies take a lot of blame for their older brothers' and sisters' failure to brush their teeth daily, results of a dental clinic conducted this week in several schools show.

The pupils admit that they are willing to polish their molars daily, but the babies in their house just can't seem to leave the brushes alone. The little tots are accused of hiding, losing or breaking the brushes.

A city-wide dental clinic of public grade schools is now being conducted by local dentists who are donating their services and by Miss Bessie Myers, school nurse.

The examinations will continue through Thursday of next week.

Reports of three schools were announced today.

**Clinic Results**  
At the Longfellow, 20 of the 46 children were brushing their teeth daily, four had dental care during the year and nine had good teeth. At the Jefferson school, 42 were examined and 13 were brushing teeth daily. Four had dental care and one had sound teeth. At the LaFayette, 54 of the 122 pupils said they brushed their teeth every day. Eleven had dental care and seven had sound teeth.

Dentists conducting the clinics in these schools included Drs. L. M. Kelly, J. W. Bancroft, E. B. Croxon and J. B. Hagarty.

## SUES GARBO



David Shratter (above), former Berlin movie producer, has started suit in Los Angeles court to recover \$10,500 from Greta Garbo, film actress. Shratter's counsel threatened to get a bench warrant if the retiring Swedish actress failed to appear at the trial.

## AWARD MEDALS TO 59 SCHOOL BAND PLAYERS

Presentation Made  
at Concert in  
School.

Every seat in the Kankakee high school auditorium was filled last night and many more spectators stood in the rear of the hall to hear the ninth annual spring concert of the high school bands. It was easily the largest crowd ever to attend a musical program at the school.

Those who came to hear good band music were not disappointed. The students obliged with 18 selections well chosen for the demonstration of their improved technique under the baton of George E. Piersol. Near the close of the concert a total of 59 students received band awards for their accomplishments.

With equal verve and dexterity they negotiated the instrumental technicalities of Schubert's Overture Rasmunde as well as descriptive tone poems, stirring marches, pleasing symphonies and medleys of semi-classics.

**Syncretized Rhythm.**  
A new development brought out more fully in the London suite by Vail, was the syncretized rhythm woven into a waltzer pattern threaded from what might have been taken for an overture in a minor strain.

The marimba solo of George Gates was particularly well received. Also commendatory was the chime solo by Homer Fjord and the Sextette by Lucia presented by Barrett O'Hara, James Lund, Warden Dial, Milton Offerman, Edwin Taylor, and Vernon Offerman, with band accompaniment.

**Three Piersols.**  
Not only one Piersol conducted last evening's program—George's two brothers who were present were called upon to wield the baton in two numbers. They were John Piersol, director of bands at Center Point, Ia., high school and Frank, who holds a similar position in Maynard.

(Continued on page two)

## Lightning Strikes 2 Men and 2 Homes

### 1 NEAR DEATH; BOLT ALMOST BURNS ARM OFF

2 Farmers Working  
in Corn Crib  
when Hit.

### DAMAGE HOUSES

Owen Beard, 70, farmer of near Schneider, Ind., today was in a serious condition in St. Mary hospital here, suffering from terrible burns inflicted when a small building in which he was working was struck by lightning last evening.

Two Kankakee homes were struck by lightning in the electrical storm late yesterday. Beard's left arm was burned black from the shoulder to the finger tips, so badly that circulation of blood has been stopped according to report, and it may be necessary to amputate the arm. The farmer's critical condition from shock and pain is aggravated by his age.

**Helped Stunned.**  
Beard was working in the corn crib of a farm a mile and a half northeast of Schneider during the storm. He and Roger Fisher, 23, an employee of the Fry & Montgomery grain elevator of Schneider, had been engaged in loading a truck with corn to be taken to the elevator.

When the bolt of lightning struck the corn crib, Beard was standing in the doorway while Fisher was on the truck covering the load with canvas.

Fisher was knocked from the truck by the shock of the lightning flash but was unhurt. The crib was struck by the bolt full force, but was not set on fire and only slightly damaged.

**Shook Residence.**  
At the residence of G. G. Shook, of 845 South Myrtle avenue, a bolt struck the attic and a tree in the front yard almost simultaneously.

The charge entered the house along the roof aerial and followed the electrical circuits all through the house, shattering every light fixture and knocking them completely off the ceiling. One crashed near the Shook's two-year-old son, badly frightening him. He was not hurt, however.

Wherever floor plugs were located, the floor was bulged up. The wall plugs were wrenched out of the plaster. Shingles were loosened along the path of the charge. Outside, the tree was broken up in many pieces.

**Burns Lightning.**  
Firemen were summoned and stood by to prevent fire, but none started. They returned to the station and a

(Continued on page two)

## Local Women Home from Garden Tour

Mrs. Ilah D. Wilson of 512 South Chicago avenue and Mrs. Marion H. Cooley of 1084 South Wildwood avenue have returned from a motor trip into West Virginia and Virginia.

Their trip included the annual garden tour of the Virginias during which many of the famous old southern homes and gardens, which have been maintained in the same manner as in colonial times, were visited.

Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Cooley also planned to make stops in Washington and Wheeling but because of the high waters of the eastern rivers the routes leading to these cities were closed and they were forced to abandon their plans.

(Continued on page two)

## THE WEATHER

(Saturday, May 1, 1937)  
Hourly temperature readings from 1 o'clock Friday afternoon to noon today are:

High at 1 p. m. 64, low at 6 a. m. 54.

A year ago cloudy, high 76, low 60.  
1 p. m. 64 1 a. m. 58  
2 p. m. 64 2 a. m. 58  
3 p. m. 64 3 a. m. 57  
4 p. m. 63 4 a. m. 56  
5 p. m. 62 5 a. m. 55  
6 p. m. 61 6 a. m. 54  
7 p. m. 60 7 a. m. 53  
8 p. m. 60 8 a. m. 53  
9 p. m. 60 9 a. m. 53  
10 p. m. 62 10 a. m. 56  
11 p. m. 61 11 a. m. 57  
Midnight 60 Noon 60

Sunset today at 6:47, sunrise Sunday at 6:45, sunset at 6:48, moon rises at 12:51 a. m. Sunday.

Mostly cloudy and unsettled tonight and Sunday, possible showers in extreme south portion; not much change in temperature.

## Kroehler to Build Field for Athletes

The scope of the Kroehler Manufacturing company's athletic program for its employees will be broadened further this summer when a new athletic field is completed.

Located just south of the main factory buildings, the new field was graded, rolled and sodded two weeks ago but the heavy April rains have inundated it and drowned out the grass seed.

Drain tile is now being installed according to Clarence B. Kroehler, plant manager, and it is hoped that the field can be made ready for a softball club which the Kroehler Recreation association will sponsor.

Besides the diamond, horseshoe courts are also under construction.

Clubrooms were installed last winter in the basement under the office building and contain pool tables, bowling alleys, and showers.

Employees are entitled to make use of the rooms between the hours of 7 and 11 o'clock on five nights of the week and on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 6 p. m.

## Two Home Bureau Units Split Prize in Poster Contest

First prize in a poster contest in connection with the Kankakee County Home Bureau's safety drive for rural territory, has been divided between the bureau's units of Kankakee and Momence.

Second prize went to Union Hill unit, third to a public fourth was divided between Heischer, Kankakee and Salina and fifth to Grand Park.

The posters, which were judged by Miss Margaret Asbury, art instructor of the Kankakee public schools, will be on exhibit for a week in the show windows of the Chicago store, Lassers furniture store and the J. C. Penny store.

An analysis of questionnaires filled out by farm women shows that too many start fires with kerosene and do dry cleaning indoors. It is reported by Miss Grace Whittington, advisor of the Home Bureau.

For the past seven months the bureau has been carrying on the safety drive and talks on home safety have been given in community meetings throughout the county.

## Filipino Women Win Right of Suffrage

Manila, P. I., May 1.—(UP)—Women of the Philippine Islands won the right of suffrage by a 10-1 majority, returns from a plebiscite showed today.

True to their Spanish tradition, that the woman's place is in the home, only about 400,000 of the nearly 4,000,000 eligible women of the islands cast their ballots, but the law provided that if 300,000 affirmative votes were cast, suffrage would be won.

Only the women voted. Latest returns showed 302,781 for suffrage and 30,672 opposed to it. The votes were from three cities and eight provinces. Returns from some of the outlying provinces will be delayed a week.

## St. Anne Girls to Present Musicales

The seventh and eighth grade girls' chorus of the St. Anne schools will give a musicale at the grade school next Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The program will include 11 choruses, numbers, vocal solos by Darlene Marquis, Dorothy Sprimont, Noralee Vaillancourt and Norma Wilson, a lute number by Clara Pallisard, Pearl O'Leary and Madeline Talley, piano solo by Juliette Godefre, instrumental number by Gladys Sprimont, Audrey Gierke and Marion Smith, a violin solo by Imogene Pickering and a recitation by Geraldine Mercer.

In addition, there will be a Girl Scout play with the cast composed of Norma Wilson, Burdell Alvey, Venita Gereau, Darlene Marquis, Noralee Vaillancourt, Dorothy Merino, Romella Tiro, Dorothy Sprimont, Kasalie Hurling and Cecilia Cyrer.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

A marriage license was issued yesterday to John Wesley Croxon, 24, of Kankakee and Gladys Lilian Cloke, 22, of Ashkum, and one this morning to Gail Barnlund, 21, of Chicago and Cecile Gladu, 21, of St. Anne.

## TWO NEW CARS AND TRUCK BURN IN A COLLISION

Chicago Driver Has  
Narrow Escape  
from Death.

### FIREMEN CALLED

Mike Murphy of Chicago, driver of a Dealers Transport truck of Chicago, narrowly escaped being burned to death in a spectacular explosion and fire following an accident on highway 49 near the cemetery curve at 6:50 o'clock this morning.

Two new cars and the tractor part of the truck were destroyed in the blaze. Murphy was driving alone, headed south on the highway near the center lane. Traveling north on the curve was an auto driven by Alphonse Gravelin of Aroma Park. The latter said he drove to the far edge of the pavement to avoid a collision but the trailer sideswiped his car as it swung around the curve.

**Knocks Off Cars**  
Murphy's truck was loaded with four new cars. The impact pitched the forward two off the truck and into the ditch. They immediately burst into flames. The truck weaved crazily for several yards and then the tractor (forward part) turned over and ground to a screeching stop.

The truck engine then burst into flames, a fire which pinned under the steering wheel in the overturned cab, but he managed to struggle free, smash the window and crawl out. The fire department was summoned and the fires were extinguished with a lead of hose from the Hobbie avenue hydrant.

**Firemen Save 2**  
Strangely enough, the trailer remained upright, bearing the two remaining new cars. Quick work by the firemen saved them from destruction. A rear glass in one was cracked by the heat.

Murphy sustained an injured hip in the crash. The driver of the other vehicle involved in the collision was unhurt.

**Minor Accidents**  
Two other accidents were reported to police yesterday. At Merchant and Warren avenues, autos of William Nesbitt, 421 South Fraser avenue and Charles Boughard of 820 South Osborn avenue were involved in a crash in which a passenger, Phelmo Boner, was slightly hurt.

At Chestnut and Dearborn avenues, no one was injured when the autos of Everett Quigley, 430 North Wildwood avenue and Ross Milk of 1236 East Maple street, collided.

## Kankakee Woman to Lead Convention

Mrs. C. P. Close, district secretary of the Disciples of Christ (Christian churches) Northeastern district of the Illinois Christian Missionary society, will lead the Friday afternoon session of the group's 20th annual convention next week at the First Christian church of Paxton.

The two-day convention opens at 10 o'clock Thursday morning and closes at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon. The Rev. and Mrs. John F. Norman and others from the local Christian church plan to attend. Herbert Smith of Africa will give the missionary addresses.

## Examine Steuben School Students

The examination for physical fitness of 20 children of pre-school age took place Friday afternoon at the Steuben school under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher association in cooperation with the Kankakee Medical society.

The roundup, the first of its kind here, was considered most successful by those in charge.

Some defects were noted, including one case of a murmuring heart. If these defects are corrected before the school term begins in September, the children will be presented with certificates attesting to their physical fitness.

Assisting the physicians and dentists were Miss Bessie Myers, school nurse, and the roundup committee—Mrs. Jack Wamba, chairman, Mrs. Raymond Jack, Mrs. Harold Tyson, Mrs. Glen Zaring, Mrs. William Brown, Mrs. Carl Smith and Miss Edith Redfield, principal.

## TELLS OF FINANCEE'S DEATH



Brig. Gen. Henry H. Denhardt is shown as he appeared on the witness stand in a packed court room at New Castle, Ky., to tell his version of the death of his fiancée, Mrs. Verna Garr Taylor, whom the commonwealth charges he murdered.

## Mother Gets Tribute At Illinois U.

All programs this week-end at the University of Illinois will center around Mother and, because of this, many of the Kankakee mothers whose sons and daughters are students at the school will be among the guests of honor. The university will observe Mother's day tomorrow although the general observance is May 9.

Mrs. Bert Fitzgerald, Mrs. Arthur Beckman, Mrs. William I. Holcomb and Mrs. Elizabeth Holcomb were among those who went to Champaign on Friday afternoon. Mr. Beckman is joining Mrs. Beckman this afternoon.

Those who left this morning and plan to return Sunday include Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Stentz, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Andrews, Mrs. Arthur Mann, Mrs. Fred Zeisler, Mrs. Fred Sellers, Mrs. Fred C. Heffer, Mrs. N. Greenman, Mrs. H. B. DeSelm, Mrs. J. G. McCarthy, Mrs. Harold Scott, Mrs. Arthur English, Mrs. Fred Boyd, Mrs. Leonard LaRoche, and Miss Bernadette Lavery, whose nephew Tom Gunning is a student.

## Find 231 Victims of Promoter Here

A checkup by the better business bureau of the chamber of commerce has revealed that 231 business firms in Kankakee and in surrounding towns of the county signed up to buy advertising space in a "Kankakee county courthouse directory" which Andrew Sacka of Springfield was attempting to promote here.

Using the name of "Mr. Stone" in a telephone canvass, he obtained money from 169 firms in the city and 62 in surrounding towns. When prospects weren't interested, he talked rudely to them. This led to inquiry about him by city and county police and the state's attorney's office with the result that the scheme was stopped and the money turned over to the latter office for refunding.

## Complete Work on Chancel at Church

The new pews and chancel and its furniture have been installed in the First Presbyterian church and will be in use for the first time at the worship service tomorrow morning.

A picture of the chancel has been taken and will be used on the bulletin in use at that service so every person in attendance will get one. These improvements made at a cost of \$4,000 are being paid for by the voluntary giving of members and friends of the church without any campaign.

## LARGEST CITIES OF WORLD JOIN DEMONSTRATION

Thousands Participate in the Celebrations.

### GUARD PARADES

By the Associated Press  
Workers by the tens of thousands pushed aside routine tasks today to engage in traditional May day demonstrations in scores of the world's largest cities.

Organizers of New York's May day celebration called for a demonstration by 250,000 and hailed it as the greatest in the city's history. The city mobilized its 19,000 policemen as a precautionary move. Socialists and Communists joined in the celebration for the first time.

At Chicago, labor and political groups called for a demonstration by 10,000 marchers. Extra policemen were posted at strategic points downtown and guards were posted at radio stations, electric service stations and telephone companies.

**French Oppose Fascism**  
In France, demonstrators mobilized to hail gains by the People's Front government, to demand new social reforms and to seek consolidation of forces against fascism.

A walkout of 25,000 busmen signaled May day in London. The strike for slower bus schedules and shorter working days crippled the city's transportation system in the midst of the nation's coronation season.

Joseph Stalin, the Soviet dictator, and his aides took places in a reviewing stand at Lenin's tomb in Moscow's Red Square to watch a parade of Russia's troops.

Warring labor organizations conducted separate demonstrations in Mexico City.

A downtown mass meeting was called in Detroit by a United May day committee claiming to represent 100 union, fraternal and labor organizations.

Leaders of American Federation of Labor unions at Cleveland asked their followers to shun parades scheduled to converge on the public square from three sides of the city.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, a bomb exploded against a wall of the editor's office of the newspaper, El Imparcial, injuring three persons.

**Mass Demonstrations**  
Two groups of demonstrators, the veterans of foreign wars, and members of Leftist organizations, vied for attention in Philadelphia.

The joint council of the committee for industrial organization at St. Louis called for a mass demonstration.

(Continued on page two)

## Meat Trains Back on Kankakee Route

Resumption of the routing of western meat trains through Kankakee by way of the New York Central lines was made today after a six weeks' layoff.

The first train came through this morning and more are expected later. The refrigerated cars stop in the west yards of the N.Y.C. to be iced. They are routed here from Zearing, Ill., to South Bend, Ind., and points east to save a layover in Chicago.

Six weeks ago, for reasons which few have been able to determine, the schedule which had been observed for many years was abruptly changed and the trains were routed through Chicago.

This business of routing meat trains through Chicago was a source of annoyance to many Kankakee men out of work. It was said.

## Illinois Convict, Sought In Texas, May Know Of Slayings

Dallas, Tex., May 1.—(UP)—Lester Brockelhurst, Illinois convict already sought for questioning about two murders, two shootings and numerous robberies, may also be able to offer some clue to the two-year old disappearance of four Illinois tourists in New Mexico, police believed today.

The tourists were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Heberer and Mr. and Mrs. George Lorius. They disappeared on the deserts of New Mexico in 1935. Several weeks later their blood-stained automobile was found in a Dallas garage. Police said the man they believe to be Brockelhurst was in Dallas about the same time the car was found.

Brockelhurst, formerly of Rockford, Ill., was wanted there in connection with the slaying of J. Albin Theander and a grocer.

Dallas officers have been seeking him since Jack Griffith, cafe owner, was wounded critically Wednesday night as he went to the aid of a young woman who was being held up on a Fort Worth street.

From an abandoned automobile, a pistol and some pictures found in a suitcase, officers identified the gunman as Brockelhurst. The automobile subsequently was identified as the one stolen from Theander, apparently by his slayer.

Then yesterday A. A. Hayden, a real estate man, was held up. The bandit was identified as Brockelhurst. He took Hayden's car, wrecked it continued his flight on foot. Scores of Dallas, Highland Park and University Park policemen chased him.

He appeared at the home of Mrs. O. D. Aston, carrying a pistol. He escaped in a taxicab. The taxi driver, F. B. Sherill said he took the man to a rooming house.











1990

Latest Model 1942 Events



her and slapped the groom  
her pocketbook.

usual characterization to become a Japanese detective who doesn't hesitate to stoop to any depth or reach any height to solve his case.

show, "Harlem Jamboree" of 32 colored artists.

## Advertise in the Republican-News







# 18; GIANTS WIN

## up Matches

### CHAMPIONS HI TO HELP CARL'S VICTORY STRING

SECURE IT OUT YOURSELF

us in a boxing ring, however, and came back in the succeeding rounds to win the South Bend Williams bout.

[illegible][illegible]

# WHITEHEAD LEFT CHICAGO AS SOX MADE DETROIT LAIR



